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a controller for controlling an image which is displayed on the image display device in response to a signal which is output from the detector,

wherein the controller [stops linking the signal to] does not allow changing the image which is displayed on the image display device in response to the signal which is output from the detector when the operational member is operated.

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5. (Twice Amended) An image observation apparatus comprising:
a main body which has an image display device;
a first detector which is provided in the main body and which detects that a user observes an image being displayed on the image display device;
a second detector which detects a posture of the main body;
a controller which controls the image being displayed on the image display device in response to a signal which is output from the second detector;
wherein the controller [stops linking the signal to] does not allow changing the image being displayed on the image display device in response to the signal which is output from the second detector when the first detector detects that the user does not observe the image being displayed on the image display device.

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6. (Twice Amended) The image observation apparatus as claimed in claim 5, further comprising an instruction device for allowing and prohibiting [the linking of the signal to] said changing of the image by the controller,

wherein the controller [links the signal to] allows changing the image being displayed on the image display device[,] only when the first detector detects that the user observes the image on the image display device and only when [the linking of the signal to] said changing of the image by the controller is allowed by the instruction device.

7. (Twice Amended) The image observation apparatus as claimed in claim 6, wherein the first detector detects whether the user observes the image on the image display device or not before [the linking of the signal to] said changing of the image by the controller is allowed by the instruction device.

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8. (Twice Amended) The image observation apparatus as claimed in claim 6, wherein the first detector detects whether the user observes the image on the image display device or not before [the linking of the signal to] said changing of the image by the controller is allowed by the instruction device,

wherein when the first detector detects that the user does not observe the image on the image display device,

first, the instruction device is enabled to allow [the linking of the signal to] said changing of the image by the controller,

next, the first detector detects that the user observes the image on the image display device, and

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next, the controller starts to [link the signal to] allow changing the image on the image display device after a predetermined time lapses.

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12. (Amended) An image observation apparatus comprising:
a main body which has an image display device;
a controller for controlling the image observation apparatus;
a first detector for detecting whether a user stops observing an image which is displayed on the image display device or not,
wherein the controller sets at least one setting condition of the image observation apparatus to a predetermined condition such that the image which is displayed on the image display device is not allowed to change when the first detector detects that the user stops observing the image.

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15. (Amended) The image observation apparatus as claimed in claim 14,
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18. (Amended) The image observation apparatus as claimed in claim 12, further comprising a second detector for detecting a posture of the main body,
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wherein the controller controls the image being displayed on the image display device[,] based upon a detecting signal which is output from the second detector.